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First street, 11 story house and lot 650
Chatham street, cottage and lot 650
Victoria West, cottage and lot 900
Ninara street, very large lot and 3 roomed cottage, cheap 1,050
Cadboro Bay road, large lot near Oak Bay junction 300
Beech street, nice building lot 350
Second street, good building lots 500
King's road, good corner 600
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WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
City Assessor.

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THE LATE SIR A. SULLIVAN.

Remains of the Composer Buried in St. Paul's Cathedral Today.

(Associated Press.)
London, Nov. 27.—With all the pomp and circumstance which might have attended the obsequies of a member of the royal family, the remains of Sir Arthur Sullivan were buried in St. Paul's cathedral this afternoon.

Immense crowds assembled at the late residence of the deceased, and St. James Palace, while every point of vantage around St. Paul's was taken up hours prior to the arrival of the cortege. Great crowds lined the route traversed by the procession.

NEW VIOLINIST.

(Associated Press.)
London, Nov. 27.—A stranger, unknown to the musical world, made his first public appearance at St. James's hall last night, and within a few minutes compelled enthusiastic recognition as one of the most complete masters of the violin of the day. He is Hugo Kupfer-schmidt, of Cincinnati, who was sufficiently ambitious to play at his debut with an orchestra Beethoven's concerto in D, and Mendelssohn's concerto in E minor. His ambition was justified, for both the inspiration and technique of his work were well-nigh perfect. A large audience gave him an almost overwhelming ovation.

HEADQUARTERS FOR TOYS, DOLLS AND HOLIDAY GOODS AT HASTIE'S FAIR,
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Alfalfa Hay.
Just received a car of Alfalfa Hay, the finest hay for dairy cows; also a car of Yukima Russet Potatoes.
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ANOTHER PLOT TO KILL "BOBS"

Conspirators Laid a Mine Which Was to Be Exploded While Lord Roberts Was in Church.

FRUSTRATED BY POLICE AND GUARD

Ten Men in Custody—Delarey's Forces Completely Dispersed—Burghers, Assisted by Dutch, May Attack Borders of Cape Colony.

(Associated Press.)
London, Nov. 27.—According to a special edition of the Evening Standard this evening, a plot to assassinate Lord Roberts, in which twenty foreigners are concerned, has been discovered.

It appears that the conspirators laid a mine which was destined to be blown up on Sunday while Lord Roberts was in church at Johannesburg, but the police and Lord Roberts's bodyguard frustrated the conspiracy.

Ten men, mostly Italians, have been arrested. The details, the Evening Standard says, it has been unable to verify before going to press.

Boers Dispersed.
London, Nov. 27.—Lord Roberts, cabling from Johannesburg under the date of November 26, reports a number of encounters with the Boers at widely separated points, in which the British captured some cattle and a few prisoners, and suffered slight casualties.

The most serious affair was an engagement with the forces of General Delarey, numbering about one thousand men, with three guns, who opposed Gen. Clements toward Bloemfontein. The Boers, the dispatch says, were completely dispersed.

Waiting to Join Boers.
London, Nov. 27.—A dispatch to the Standard from Pretoria, dated November 25th, says it is reported that the Boers propose to strike again at the borders of Cape Colony, where it is believed, numbers of disaffected Dutch, with supplies and hidden weapons, are waiting to join them.

The Boers seem to be taking fresh heart. They have become extremely energetic in almost every part of the Transvaal and the Orange River Colony. Vigorous Measures Advocated.

London, Nov. 27.—The Rt. Hon. Right William Hanbury, president of the board of agriculture, addressing his constituents in Preston last evening, and referring to Mr. Kruger's complaint of "British barbarism," said: "This is no time for paltering with the dying embers of the Boer rebellion, for rebellion it now is, and it must be stamped out vigorously."

Kruger Visits French Premier.
Paris, Nov. 27.—Mr. Kruger began a busy day this morning by making an official call. Before 9 o'clock he was in the Hotel Serbie, driving in a landau surrounded by Republican guards and bicycle policemen to visit Premier Waldeck-Rousseau. He was accompanied by Dr. Leyds, Dr. Van Hamme and delegate Fischer. The party was met at the entrance to the premier's salon by M. Ulrich, director of the cabinet, who introduced the visitors to the prime minister. The interview took place in M. Waldeck-Rousseau's private study. It lasted ten minutes.

At half-past nine o'clock the premier, accompanied by M. Ulrich, returned the call.

Will Reside in the States.
New York, Nov. 27.—Samuel Pearson, formerly commissary general of the Transvaal army, one of the Boer refugees who have just arrived here on the steamer Statendam from Rotterdam, brings tidings that ex-President Kruger will probably soon seek refuge and a permanent home in this country.

"President Kruger will leave Paris very soon, I believe," said Gen. Pearson, "and come to America where, with his wife, he will make a home until such times as our arms have triumphed, and he can return to the South African Republic to take up again his office as chief executive of the Boers."

Protests Against Leniency.
New York, Nov. 27.—The meeting of parliament next week will not take place too soon, says the Tribune's London correspondent. The British public is excited and bewildered by the confusion which prevails both in South Africa and China. The trend of events will be clearer when the ministers are in their places to answer questions, and the leader writers are provided with cues by those behind the scenes. A war costing \$7,500,000 weekly is going on and nobody seems to know when it is likely to stop. Everybody is in a critical mood. Lord Roberts is sharply criticized for a

mistaken policy of leniency; there is an amazing outbreak of invective and abuse directed against Gen. Kitchener; there are remonstrances in Liberal journals and from pro-Boer platforms against the barren policy of burning farms and starving the burghers in the impoverished Dutch territory, and Lord Salisbury is attacked for neglecting to inform France and other powers that the two republics have been annexed, and that the Boers are no longer entitled to recognition as belligerents when they are merely rebel guerrillas and bandits.

When so many games at cross-purposes are in progress, it is impossible for the public to know what is going on. The only point on which there is general agreement is that the French government has maintained a correct attitude during the last week, and that the English people have no reason to complain of the reception to Mr. Kruger. Lord Salisbury has clearly acted with some intelligent motive in refraining from changing the status of the Boers from belligerents to rebels.

Robert's Return.
Capetown, Nov. 27.—The British steamer Canada sailed yesterday for Durban, presumably to embark Lord Roberts.

McKinley In Peril

Hoboken Police Informed of Conspiracy to Assassinate the President

Information Was Furnished by a Frenchman—Investigation Being Held.

(Associated Press.)
New York, Nov. 27.—A plot to assassinate President McKinley has been made known to the police of Hoboken, N. J., says the Evening World. They have communicated with the secret service bureau at Washington, furnishing the name of the man who is accused. The police received their information through a letter written by a Frenchman, whose knowledge of the English language was "exceedingly poor." The name of the accused is withheld by the police for obvious reasons. They have located the writer, and say that his story is at least worthy of investigation.

CAPT. BERNIER'S EXPEDITION
To the North Pole Will Be Favorably Considered By Royal Geographical Society.

(Associated Press.)
London, Nov. 27.—At the meeting of the Royal Geographical Society last evening, Sir Clements Robert Markham, president of the organization, referred to the North Polar expedition projected by Capt. Bernier, the Canadian, and expressed himself as confident that the society would give the explorer all possible encouragement.

REPORT NOT CONFIRMED.
Rumor in Paris That the Pope is Dead.

(Associated Press.)
London, Nov. 27.—The report of the death of the Pope, which reached New York, was based on a Paris rumor circulated by a small news agency. The Associated Press dispatches from Paris up to 5 o'clock this afternoon do not mention the Pope. The Pontiff was quite well yesterday.

THE CZAR IMPROVING.

(Associated Press.)
Livadia, Nov. 27.—The improvement in the Czar's condition continues, judging from the following bulletin issued to-day: "The Czar passed a good day yesterday. At nine in the evening his temperature was 97.9; pulse 66. During the night His Majesty slept well. This morning the Emperor's condition and general strength were perfectly satisfactory, temperature 98.8, pulse 66."

KING OSCAR IMPROVING.

(Associated Press.)
Stockholm, Nov. 27.—King Oscar is steadily improving. He took a long walk yesterday in the royal garden.

They have done me marked good. They have
 removing the pain from my back and head, and
 drowsiness and tired feeling have disappeared.

completely."

Gerhard Tiarks and others petitioned for the repair of upper Bellot jet. Referred to the city engineer report.

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Yates street.
- VICTORIA NEWS CO., LTD., 86 Yates
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COMPANY, 61 Government street.
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ment street.
- CAMPBELL, Tobacconist, 92 Govern-
ment street.
- GEORGE MARSDEN, News Agent, corner
Yates and Government.
- H. W. WALKER (Switch Grocery), Equi-
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- W. WILBY, 91 Douglas street.
- MRS. CROOK, Victoria West post office.
- G. N. HODGSON, 37 Yates street.
- E. REDDING, Craigflower road, Victoria
West.

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livery of Daily Times.

RAILWAY TO KOOTENAY.

In the Boundary Creek country, in
Vancouver, and again in Victoria the
Hon. Mr. Sifton expressed the opinion
that the time had arrived for giving the
Coast and Kootenay direct railway con-
nection. In speaking to the representa-
tive business men of these places this
view was given unreservedly, and while
no plan has yet been matured as to
how this railway will be built or as to
the route to be taken, there is no doubt
at all as to the intention of the Min-
ister of the Interior to press upon his
colleagues the urgency of the work. Mr.
Sifton is impressed to a greater degree
than many of the leading men of the
province, with the enormous undeveloped
wealth of the Kootenay country, and
is prepared as a minister to do what he
can to assist in the construction of neces-
sary railways, as well as in the adoption
of a policy that will ensure the settling
and refining of our ores in our own
country. We are nearer to a direct rail-
line to the Boundary country than
is generally thought possible. A first
link in that highway will be the rail-
way from Victoria to the Fraser river
valley, and while the Times has no
authority to speak for the Ottawa gov-
ernment, we know that we are but re-
flecting the views of the Western mem-
ber of the cabinet when we say that
no trifling obstacles will be permitted
to stand in the way of the accomplish-
ment of this object. If Victorians
should say on Thursday next that they
want the railway, the effect would un-
questionably be to encourage the Ot-
tawa government to help those who are
not afraid to help themselves.

OUR POLITICAL LEADERS.

In the political life of Great Britain
it is never urged as a reason why a
man should not occupy a high political
position that he is not an Englishman,
in the narrow sense of the word. Some
of the greatest of the many great men
who have inscribed their names on the
scroll of fame in that country have come
from Ireland and from north of the
Tweed, and it is to the honor and glory
of Englishmen that all such have been
welcomed with open arms and hearts
and that never a pang of jealousy seems
to have been stirred in any quarter be-
cause many distinguished leaders in
statesmanship, in war, and in all de-
partments of public life have been chosen
from the neighboring kingdoms. The
Tupper is not built that way. Neither
are the Wallaces, nor any of the men
who at present aspire to the leadership
of the Conservative party. Perhaps this
is not unnatural, all things considered.
Compare their qualifications for leader-
ship with those of the man at present
at the head of the Canadian government
and point out how it is possible for them
to arrive at any other conclusion? They
say Sir Wilfrid Laurier is a Frenchman,
and that is practically the only reason
they can urge at the present time why
he should be condemned. Compare the
patriotism of the man who is thus as-

sailed with that of those who for the
sake of power would have passed a law
compelling the people of Manitoba to
change their school system, an act which
would probably have resulted in civil
war and the dismemberment of the Em-
pire, and say whose course has been the
more patriotic? They brought the forces
of a powerful church and all the rage
prejudice they could arouse against the
Liberal leader and his followers in Que-
bec, but their appeals were in vain, and
patriotism and loyalty to the man whom
not only French-Canadians but all Brit-
ons delight to honor carried the day.
Thus was Canada saved from a course
which might have ended in a great na-
tional catastrophe and the deluge which
Sir John Macdonald foresaw precipitated
upon the Tory party. In the light of
the history of the political parties in
this country during the last few years
no one will be surprised to read that
some Conservatives now favor annexa-
tion as a means of escape from the pit
which they have dugged for their own
feet. But that insane idea will be of short
duration. The party will shortly again
be in its right mind. It will become
ashamed of its present leaders, turn
themselves about and enter upon a career
of which patriotic Canadians need not
be ashamed. It will take many years
to accomplish this work, but without a
thorough renovation and a policy which
contemplates a united Canada and a
united Empire the assaults upon the Lib-
eral stronghold will be in vain.

It is not surprising to be told that at
the late elections in the Province of On-
tario the Liberal candidates were only
about 3,000 votes behind the Conserva-
tives in the province as a whole. Leaving
out the cities of Toronto and Hamilton,
where the Conservative majorities were
very large on account of the appeals to
bigotry, there seems no reason to doubt
that the Liberals carried the province
and that but for the effectiveness of the
gerrymander the parties would have been
very evenly divided. That is all that
has been gained by a policy which has
utterly destroyed the usefulness of the
present leaders of the Conservative party.

In an article dealing in vigorous fashion
with the Conservative party generally
and its leaders especially, Mr. E. King
Dodd, at one time a great Tory stump-
per, says his respects to Sir Hibbert Tupper
as follows: "Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper,
though elected in a Nova Scotia con-
stituency, now that he is but a plain
M. P., pays but little attention to his
parliamentary duties, and his connection
with the bolters as one of the chief man-
ipulators, added to his egotistical quali-
ties, has left him without any following.
Superlative bombastousness like seven
hours' speeches becomes wearisome.
That the name is not one to conjure
with any longer in Nova Scotia is il-
lustrated by the returns, 14 Liberals, 6
Conservatives."

Hon. Mr. Sifton expected to reach Vic-
toria Friday night, but was persuaded
by Vancouver friends to change his
plans, and speak in Vancouver on that
evening. Having an engagement at
Medicine Hat to-morrow night, he was
compelled to leave here on Sunday even-
ing. Mr. Sifton is particularly interest-
ed in Victoria, and regretted his in-
ability to meet the business men of the
city on this visit, but in all probability
will be with us again in the course of
a few months, when he purposes going
to Dawson. But why should the Col-
onist grumble; have we not Col. Prior
and Mr. Earle everlastingly with us.

A number of letters have been received
for to-day's issue on the railway ques-
tion, several of them about midday. The
Times goes to press at 3.30 p. m., and
it is impossible as a general rule to
handle the ordinary news received after
that hour, much less correspondence.
This, along with the fact that our col-
umns are crowded to-day, will explain
the omission of several letters.

We can assure the Colonist that Mr.
F. J. Deane does not appear before the
electors of Yale-Cariboo as secretary of
the Chinese commission when campaign-
ing for Mr. Gallihur. He appears as
an elector of the constituency. Employ-
ment for a month or two as the secre-
tary of a commission does not take away
his rights as a citizen.

AN ANSWER.

To the Editor: The recent announce-
ment of the C. P. R. intentions makes
it hardly necessary for anyone to pro-
duce further evidence of the great im-
portance of the proposed railway pro-
ject to the city of Victoria. Still you
must pardon me not being able to re-
sist the temptation of reverting to Mr.
F. S. Barnard's recent letter, in which
he expresses an opinion, that my de-
fence of the by-law was marred by be-
ing personal, and then adds that I for-
got that there would be an extra land
haul of 140 miles by the proposed rail-
way to their Mainland terminus, which
must be paid by some one; that a ferry
could be run to Cadboro Bay, or that
the C. P. R. cars could be ferried by
the E. & N. railway. Ladysmith and
brought to Victoria without the cost of
construction of a single line of railway.
In the first place, I wish to assure
Mr. Barnard of my regret that he should
have construed any part of my letter as
tending towards being personal, such an
idea being most foreign from my
thoughts, so much so that, while fully
realizing at the time of writing, how
readily I could have strengthened sev-
eral sentences, had I wished to, qual-
ity them still I purposely refrained
from so doing. I also wish to assure
Mr. Barnard that I did not forget that
there would be an extra railway haul

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from Everett to the proposed Mainland
terminus; or that a ferry could be run
to Cadboro Bay; or even that the C. P.
R. could, if they wished, have their cars
ferried to Ladysmith or elsewhere;
or if Mr. Barnard will not object to my
saying so that it is not unusual for
Victorians to have several opposition
propositions suddenly trumped up to de-
feat each and every railway proposal
that has been placed before them. Nor
do I forget what Mr. Barnard seems to
ignore, namely, that railway freight
rates as charged are by no means based
upon the number of miles over which
cars are hauled, as many of our up-
country merchants can testify. The
further contention that an annual sub-
sidy of \$15,000 for twenty years should
be estimated as \$20,000, and be equal
to tying up the credit of the city of Vic-
toria to the tune of \$400,000, hardly
necessitates my reply, for any school
boy that has learnt the ordinary rules
of interest and equalization of payments
could prove the absurdity of such a
statement.

With regard to Mr. Barnard's doubts
about it being possible for the ferry to
increase trade with the Fraser river dis-
tricts, I would reply that, as far as I am
concerned, I am quite willing to rely
upon the opinions expressed by those
more conversant with the trade of farm-
ing districts, as expounded by Mr. Lad-
ysmith and others. Still, without such tes-
timony, I would be quite prepared to as-
sume that the connection can have no
other than a very favorable effect on
the extension of our trade with that
district.

The next question I am asked is, if I
am prepared to point out any guarantee
that no charge of 50 cents be made for
wharfage, or to assert that the Sound
steamer will not be withdrawn, owing
to the future diminution of freight. To
these enquiries it is but necessary to re-
ply briefly, as common sense, and
commercial experience, should make
it clear to anyone that there is no
chance of such a fee being collectable;
also anyone conversant with the small
proportion of British Columbia overland
freight carried by the Sound steamers,
would readily understand that their pro-
fits depend almost solely on local travel
and freight shipments from the states of
Washington and Oregon.

In conclusion, I wish to express my
great satisfaction at the encouraging
promise made at this late date by the
C. P. R. who, it seems, have at last de-
cided to grant us a ferry connection.
Such news coming, as it does, from the
greatest railway company in Canada,
which is being guided by most experi-
enced railway men, should not only act
as a quietus to all those who have
strived to belittle the proposed railway
project; but be a decided proof to those
in favor of it, that they are on the
right track, and encourage them to
still further stand up for their rights,
and carry with an overwhelming major-
ity the by-law, which has already pro-
duced such good results.

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SPREADS LIKE WILDFIRE.

When things are "the best" they
become "the best selling." Abraham
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regulates liver, kidneys and bowels,
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hence cures multitudes of maladies. It
builds up the entire system, gives new
life and vigor into any weak, sickly,
downy man or woman. Price 50 cents.
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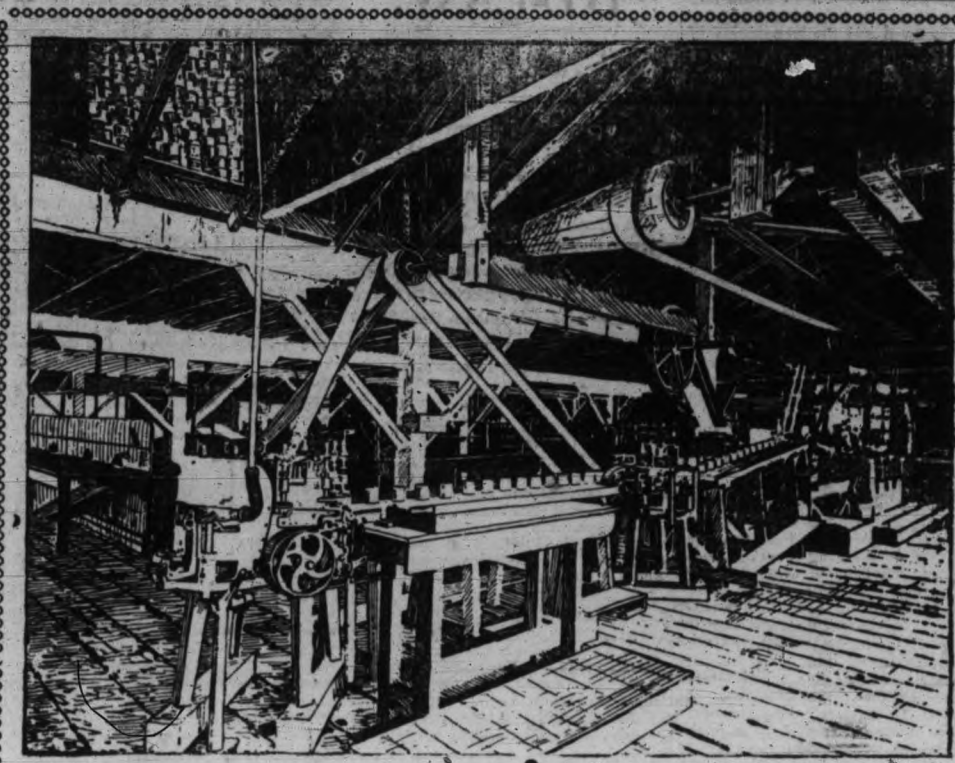
Opening Meeting Will Be Held in St.
Andrew's Presbyterian Church
This Evening.

The first meeting of the provincial
branch of the inter-denominational Sun-
day school association will be held this
evening in the lecture room of the St.
Andrew's Presbyterian church. Devot-
ional services will be held by Horace
Knott, commencing at 7 o'clock sharp,
after which the opening exercises will be
conducted by the president, N. Shako-
speare. An address of welcome will then
be delivered by the Rev. Leslie Clay
and replied to by the Rev. J. G. Hast-
ings. The next item on the programme
is the reading of "Written Reports of
School," after which the appointment of
committees will take place. It is the
intention of the convention to nominate
a committee this evening whose business
will be to submit the names of those re-
garded as competent to occupy the pos-
ition of officers in the district branch of
the inter-denominational association,
which is to be organized. The names
will be submitted to the convention on
Wednesday evening in the Metropolitan
Methodist church and voted upon.

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DEMANDS OF THE POWERS.

Note to China Will Include Recasting
of Commercial Treaties and For-
eign Financial Control.

London, Nov. 27.—According to the
Shanghai correspondent of the Morning
Post, Li Hung Chang is seriously ill,
and has telegraphed for his adopted son,
Li Ching Fang.
Dr. Morrison, writing to the Times
from Peking on Sunday, says: "The
foreign envoys have agreed to two
propositions that were previously re-
jected owing to lack of unanimity.
These are Sir Ernest Satow's proposals
that China should agree to recast the
commercial treaties, and the Italian pro-
posal that China should consent to
foreign financial control as a guarantee
of the indemnity. The delay in the
presentation of the note is due to the pos-
sibility of the home governments.
This increases the difficulties of the
position, and aggravates the dislocation
of trade and finance, especially the col-
lection of inland revenues. At the
lowest estimate the indemnity is com-
puted at 500,000,000."

Chinese Fled.
Berlin, Nov. 26.—A dispatch received
today by the Navy League here says,
that Col. York's column reached Kal-
kan, about 100 miles northwest of Peking,
on November 18th. The Chinese troops,
numbering 3,000 men, fled. A battalion
of Chinese imperial soldiers was disarm-
ed.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Meeting Called Off.
The meeting of the intermediate teams
of Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo
called for last Saturday evening, in
Peden Bros' store, Government street,
to complete the organization of the
league, and draw up the schedule of the
games, etc., was not held on account of
the delegates representing the teams
from the outside cities not being pres-
ent.

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several houses off Oak Bay avenue, \$500
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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Nov. 27.—5 a. m.—An extensive high barometer area still covers the North Pacific Coast, while off California comparatively low pressure prevails. These conditions will probably cause continued fair weather for several days. Fair, mild weather prevails from the Pacific eastward to the Great Lakes.

Forecasts.
For 3 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Moderate or fresh winds, mostly easterly, fair and mild.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, mostly easterly, fair, light frosts at night.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.27; temperature, 42; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, 36; minimum, 30; wind, calm; rain trace; weather, clear.

Nanaimo—Wind, N. E.; weather, fair, fog.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 32; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 28.92; temperature, 32; minimum, 28; wind, 10 miles S.; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, 52; minimum, 48; wind, 6 miles N.; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Jacket Sale at The Sterling is worth visiting.

The board of horticulture will meet on Monday next.

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The inquest to ascertain the circumstances surrounding the death of Claude Malby is being held this afternoon in the police court.

Fresh Oysters Daily from our own beds at Sooke. Wholesale or retail, by sack or gallon. Apply New England Hotel.

A very enjoyable entertainment was held in the Centennial Methodist church last evening, under the auspices of the Young People's Society of that church.

Before the concert a sale of work was held, and the school room, in which the various stalls were located, was beautifully decorated. The Young People are full of the spirit of work, and the entertainment in general. In fact all the articles for sale were disposed of. Rev. Mr. Barracough occupied the chair at the concert, at which selections of instrumental and vocal music were given.

As announced in these columns a few days ago the city assessor's office will be open each evening this week from 6.30 to 8.30 o'clock, for the purpose of receiving householders' qualifications to vote at the next municipal elections. After Saturday efforts to qualify will be useless, as the time specified will have expired.

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Jackets Half Price at The Sterling, 88 Yates street.

A banquet will be held by the Salvation Army to-morrow evening between the hours of 6 and 8.

Superfluous hair moles and facial blemishes removed by electrolysis, room No. 2, 114 Yates street.

Str. "Victorian." Fare 50c to Seattle.

There will be a meeting of the officers of the Fifth Regiment, C. A., at the drill hall to-night at 8 o'clock.

In the item in yesterday's Times relative to Dr. Higgins' removal, the gentleman was referred to as Dr. Paul Higgins instead of Dr. Chas. H. Higgins. His duties are at Montreal instead of Ottawa.

Don't forget big Masquerade to night.

Columbia Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F. meets to-morrow evening to consider the proposed hospital accommodation for the Board of Federated Societies, Count Vancouver, A. O. F., will meet for the same purpose on Monday evening.

J. A. Thompson, managing director of the C. P. N., denied the report appearing in the Vancouver papers that the head office of the company were to be transferred to the Terminal City. He said this morning that such a thing had never been considered by the company.

Cake Walk, Philharmonic Hall, to-night.

Sergeant Jos. Norbeck has presented Col. Gregory with an interesting memento of the battlefields in the form of a full clip of Mauser cartridges. He has had them polished, and a silver band placed around them engraved "Paardeberg, August 18th-27th, 1900."

At the last meeting of the Victoria Lodge, No. 17, K. of P., considerable routine business was disposed of, and work in the second rank was performed. Besides the ordinary business the lodge will, at their usual weekly meeting next Thursday, discuss the scheme of the federated board regarding the erection at the Jubilee hospital of a ward for the use of the members of secret societies. Work in the second rank will also come up.

Str. Rosalie. Fare 50c to Seattle.

Under the auspices of Victoria West Lodge, No. 24, I. O. G. T., a concert will be given in Sooke's hall to-morrow evening. A choice programme of readings, recitations, solos, duets, tableaux, etc., has been arranged. The following ladies and gentlemen have kindly consented to assist: Mrs. Demers, Mrs. Harding, Mrs. Harbord, Misses Hitt, Kettle, Grant, Hutchison, and Messrs. Hopton, Collins, Cottle, Stewart, Leigh, Jackman, J. Dressed, Miss Russell and R. J. Russell. The programme will be concluded with a laughable sketch.

Choice Sugar Cured Hams 15c per lb. at Jameson's, 33 Fort Street.

A meeting of the Sons of St. George was held last evening, when a large amount of business was disposed of. After the routine business had been gone through, several initiatives were made by the degree team. The following officers were then elected: W. P. P., Bro. F. Jones; W. P., Bro. S. Head; W. M., Bro. Charlesworth; W. S., Bro. G. Penick; W. T., Bro. H. Rivers; W. V. P., Bro. Heyworth; W. A. S., Bro. W. H. Price; Trustees, Bro. Renouf, Auditors, Bros. Heald, Greasley and Ward. At the next meeting the lodge will consider the scheme to raise a fund to erect a hospital ward at the Jubilee for the exclusive use of the members of the secret lodges.

Str. Rosalie runs daily to Seattle. \$1.00 round trip. For 30 days.

The concert by the choir of the First Presbyterian church last night was a success from every point of view. The audience was large and enthusiastic. The first part of the programme consisted of a cantata, entitled, "The Crusaders," the choir in the choruses doing excellent work, showing the careful training received. Miss Wilson, soprano soloist, had a heavy part to sustain, and succeeded admirably, her very difficult solos being sung with correctness, good taste, and in the spirit of the piece. Mr. Kinnaird had an equally trying part, and was as successful in its rendition. Mr. Brown, besides conducting, had a solo part to sing, and also was equal to the occasion, although showing signs of being tired before the end of the cantata. On the whole the cantata was a very creditable performance, and Mr. Brown and the choir are to be congratulated on this addition to their many successes. Mrs. Hall, the organist of the church, played the accompaniments throughout in excellent style. The second part was quite as enjoyable as the first, consisting of a miscellaneous programme by the following ladies and gentlemen: Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Hunt, Miss Miller, Mr. Forrester and Mr. H. Kent. Mrs. Hall again playing the accompaniments. Every member on the second part was encored, all of the performers being in excellent voice. The cantata is to be repeated at an early date in Oldfolow's hall, Spring Ridge, in aid of the Presbyterian Mission church in that neighborhood.

EVERYTHING NEW

New Valencia Raisins,
New Royal Buckingham Clusters,
New and Cleaned Fine Filtra Currants,
New Mixed Peel,
New Jordan and Valencia Almonds,
New Crystallized Fruits.

FULL RANGE JUST ARRIVED FOR

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Victoria

78 GOVERNMENT STREET

Will expect every man to do his duty on the 29th, by coming out and casting his vote in FAVOR OF THE RAILWAY BY-LAW.

M. & H. A. FOX

THE PASSING THROG.

Arrivals of the Day at City Hotels—Gossip of the Courtiers.

Geo. A. Ken, a mining man, formerly of Winnipeg, who has large mining interests in this province, and who has been staying at the Dominion hotel for the last month, leaves this evening for Vancouver. His extended stay in this city is accounted for by the fact that he had a large amount of business to transact in connection with his mining property in Atlin. He is much impressed with Victoria, and it is his intention to make this city his business headquarters as well as residence.

The following commercial men are registered at the Driad: W. C. Cunningham, Hamilton; C. G. McGill, St. Catharines; A. Brown, Montreal; T. H. Ward, Toronto; E. J. MacKay, C. H. Avery, Roy Macdonald and A. E. Burdick, of Vancouver.

D. M. Brogan, a well known mining man of this province having large interest in the Atlin district, and his wife and family are at the Victoria.

J. Wilcox and wife, of Seattle, are spending a few days in the city. They are registered at the Dominion.

Dr. G. F. Bodington, of the Asylum for the Insane at New Westminster, is in the city.

J. L. Sidingwell, advance agent for "Shenandoah," is a guest at the Dominion.

Capt. Gilmore came over from the Sead on the steamer Utopia this morning.

W. H. Lee, of the Texada island mines, is a guest at the Victoria hotel.

J. F. Hume was among the passengers from the Mainland last evening.

F. C. Folger, a travelling man of Montreal, is a guest at the Dominion.

A. R. Johnson, the wholesale grocer of Nanaimo, is at the Victoria.

F. M. Studley, of the G. N. railway, is staying at the Victoria hotel.

Mrs. H. M. Gohell, of Tacoma, is registered at the Victoria hotel.

Capt. S. F. McKeenzie, of Vancouver, is staying at the Driad.

Capt. John Irving arrived from Vancouver last evening.

R. Salles, of Greenwood, is a guest at the Hotel Victoria.

G. L. Wilson, the Vancouver canner, is at the Driad.

An unfortunate man named Frank Stein was brought to the lock-up this afternoon for safe keeping, he being of unsound mind. He was employed in discharging a cargo of salmon which arrived on the barge Atlas.

Returning Officer W. W. Northcott has been busy engaged throughout the day superintending the construction of polling booths in the market building for Thursday's ballot on the railway by-law.

The time for the receipt of tenders for the purchase of local improvement debentures, amounting to \$15,350, expired yesterday afternoon at 4 p.m.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.



Dr. Jaeger's Underwear

A complete line of sizes here from 34 to 46. The story of these goods needs no further telling than the name. Repeat orders in our lines at

75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75

At these prices we can show you the pick of the underwear market. For good substantial values, dependable material and fit we can recommend every article.

Geo. R. Jackson

HATTER, FURNISHER AND TAILOR.

As Times Improve

The profession of music becomes more and more a lucrative occupation. Our line of Mandolins, Violins, Guitars, Organs and Pianos is larger than ever before, because buyers are more numerous. All the good music, if not on hand, ordered with dispatch.

FLATFLOUNDER BROS. THE MUSIC DEALERS, 93 GOVERNMENT STREET.

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To loan in large and small amounts on mortgage on improved real estate.

SWINERTON & ODDY.

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Five Sisters Block

The New Dry Goods Store

ON FORT STREET.

Will be opened Wednesday with a full assortment of up-to-date

DRY GOODS

FIVE SISTERS' BLOCK.

WILL BE OPENED ON WEDNESDAY.

THE STERLING

CLOSES OUT END OF DECEMBER.

Therefore, we have only 4 weeks time to get rid of an enormous stock.

JACKETS

In Ladies' and Misses' are having special attention; and prices range from

\$2.00 to \$10.00

Maroon Rubber

A NEW LINE OF
Fountain Syringes and
Hot Water Bottles.

Everyone guaranteed perfect. Let
us show you these reliable goods.

John Cochrane,

CHIEF.

N. W. Corner Yates and Douglas Sts.

To Recover Poll Tax

Suit by the Provincial Govern-
ment Against the United
Canneries, Limited.

C. P. N. Proposal Regarding
Northern Steamers-G. McL.
Brown's Statement.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Nov. 27.—An important
suit has been brought by the provincial
government against the United Canneries
Limited, to recover the amount of
poll tax for 681 Japanese, who refused
payment, and all of whom are in the
employment of the United Canneries. It
came up before R. A. Anderson, stipen-
dary magistrate. His decision will af-
fect 3,000 Japanese employed on the
Fraser river, all of whom are in a situ-
ation analogous to that of the 681, spe-
cially concerned in the present action.

George R. Maxwell has returned from
his electioneering trip to Texada, where
he held two enthusiastic meetings. Ad-
dresses were delivered by Hans Helge-
son, ex-M. P., and Harry Cowan, as
well as by Mr. Maxwell. The trip was
in every sense a success, and the Lib-
eral candidate feels he has nothing to
fear from the result of the voting at
Texada.

Shortly after Saturday's meeting of the
Vancouver Board of Trade, at which
Vice-President Thompson and Captain
John Irving presented the proposition of
the C. P. N. company regarding the es-
tablishment of an improved steamboat
service between Vancouver and Skagway,
Geo. McL. Brown, executive agent of
the C. P. N. in the West, made the fol-
lowing statement to the Times corre-
spondent: "Ever since President Shau-
nessy met the Vancouver Board of
Trade and heard their urgent request,
extensive search has been made through
their connections for a suitable ship to
be placed upon the route between the
Terminal City and the Lynn Coast,
thereby diverting the greater proportion
of the Northern trade to the cities of
Vancouver and Victoria. On hearing
however, that the C. P. N. company in-
tended to make some proposal to Van-
couver regarding this service, the pre-
sident expressed himself as not inclined
to interfere, providing that the Victoria
company was prepared to place a suit-
able service on this line." Mr. Brown
was present at the meeting, and heard
Mr. Thompson's offer. He said that if
sufficient guarantee were given, as to
the carrying out of the proposal, he was
of opinion that citizens could not do
better, than support it. The details of
the scheme, however, would require to
be carefully considered and worked out,
so that the city's interests would be
fully protected. This being secured, he
considered the arrangement could not
but prove of great advantage to Van-
couver as well as Victoria.

Sir Charles Hilbert-Tupper comes out
in the News-Advertiser this morning
giving a denial to Frank Burnett's state-
ment of yesterday that he did not write
a letter to an English friend suggesting
an investigation into Mr. Sifton's "In-
telligent Yukon administration," as Sir
Hilbert says he has the letter. To-day
Mr. Burnett is publishing a statement
confirming his denial of yesterday, and
declaring that he believes the letter is a
forgery intended to implicate him.

Two more bold daylight burglaries
have occurred, being done evidently by
an organized gang of thieves.

VACCINATED AT NANAIMO.

(Special to the Times.)

Nanaimo, Nov. 27.—Steamer Bosco-
witz, from the North, arrived here this
morning at 7 o'clock and landed twenty
passengers bound for Vancouver, who
were all vaccinated before being al-
lowed to depart. There are no more fresh
cases.

The Christ Church Sunday school
room was very prettily decorated yester-
day afternoon on the occasion of the
sale-and-work concert under the aus-
pices of the Ladies' Aid and the Girls'
Friendly Society of St. James church.
Lady Joly de Lotbiniere officiated at the
ceremony of opening the entertainment in
the afternoon. The Bishop of Col-
umbia and Miss Perrin and Mayor
Hayward and Mrs. Hayward were
among those present. The stalls were
all handsomely decorated, and the en-
tertainment was a success in every way.
Refreshments were served during the
afternoon. A programme of musical
lections was rendered during the evening
to a large and appreciative audience.

In the police court this morning
Charles Miller and Simon Razee were
charged with vagrancy, and were given
twenty-four hours in which to leave the
city. Billy Williams, a half-breed, was
fined \$15 or one month for drunkenness.
A Port Rupert Indian, who only yesterday
received his liberty after serving a
month for being in possession of intem-
perate, was fined \$5 and \$1 cost for in-
dulgence. A huckster was fined \$5
for driving over James Bay bridge at a
pace faster than a walk.

Boy Makes Discovery

While Searching for Box Last
Evening He Found
a Skull.

Was Lying in the Rubbish De-
pository in a Corner
of the Lot.

A rather weird find was made last
evening in a vacant lot in the rear of the
Barrie block, Bastion square, and the
provincial police have now on hand in
consequence, the skull of an adult,
whether white or Indian anatomists will
have to ascertain, if it is deemed neces-
sary.

It appears that just about dusk, Cecil,
the thirteen-year-old son of Mr. Emery,
was asked by his father to go into the
yard and procure a box of some sort.
The lad searched around, and ultimately
thought he had found what he wanted
in the shape of an old box, which was
lying in the corner. It was filled with
rubbish, however, and while emptying it
of the undesirable contents, the young-
ster's astonished eyes fell upon a skull
with the frontal portion turned upward,
as though its owner in life had lain
down for repose, and never awaked.

Naturally the lad was somewhat dis-
concerted, and as he did not pry any
further at that time, he probably came
to the conclusion that there was a com-
plete skeleton in the box. He hurried
into the house with the startling infor-
mation that he had found a dead man.
The father at first was under the im-
pression that some one under the influ-
ence of liquor had retired to the seclusion
of the yard to sleep off his stupor.
Investigation, however, showed that
there was at least a modicum of ground
for the boy's perturbation, and the skull
was drawn from its environment of
rubbish and examined.

The provincial police were notified, and
the object was removed to their office. It
appears to have been the skull of an
ordinary sized head, and the general in-
dications are that it has been buried for
an inconsiderable time. It is greatly
discolored, due probably to contact with
wet dirt and debris. There are five
teeth in the mouth cavity, and these are
larger than the average. They are
somewhat ground down at the ends, and
from this it might be assumed that the
owner of whose existence the find is the
indication, was an Indian, as the hard
gritty food of the aborigines is likely to
cause the worn appearance of the edges
of the teeth.

But the most peculiar feature of the
find is the adhesion to the frontal por-
tion, of a substance resembling sack-
ing, and not unlike decomposed leaves.
It is very soft, and separates easily at the
touch. An analysis could ascertain
whether it be a portion of the scalp or
not, although it is hardly possible that
such is the case. Hair is also visible
in this substance, and as far as can be
seen is of a dark, almost black hue.
It might be that the skull had been
placed in a sack-a-long period back, the
material of which had decomposed, or
adhered to the frontal part. There are
no other points about the discovery of
any peculiar import except that the skull
is very unusual, and is quite damp, while
the eye-cavities are filled with a stratum
of mud.

How long it has been in the place
where it was found; how it came there;
in whose existence it was an essential
factor, are questions that must probably
remain unanswered. There are no ap-
parent indications of foul play, and there
is no reason why the provincial police
should exert themselves to any extranor-
mal extent because of its discovery.

It is improbable that it was the prop-
erty of an eccentric collector of such
objects for a gruesome family curiosity
box, for in that case it would be main-
tained in better condition. The find
quarries its unusual existence in matters of
this kind, and its property is generally
in an excellent state of preservation.

Bastion square is perhaps the most
historic locality of this city. Just about
this spot, according to the annals of Vic-
toria, this solid old municipality was
founded. There is no information re-
garding the length of time that the re-
mains in which the skull was found
had been in that lot, and it might have
remained there many years longer, but
for the efforts of the lad in carrying out
his parent's request.

HEADACHE

Pain back of your eyes? Heavy
pressure in your head? And are
you sometimes faint and dizzy?
Is your tongue coated? Bad taste
in your mouth? And does your
food distress you? Are you nervous
and irritable? Do you often have
the blues? And are you troubled
about sleeping? Then your liver is
all wrong. But there is a cure. 'Tis—

AYER'S PILLS
They act directly on the liver.
They cure constipation, bilious-
ness, sick headache, jaundice, and
dyspepsia. For 30 years they have
been the standard Family Pills.
Price 25 cents. All Druggists.
I have taken Ayer's Pills regularly for
years, and they have cured me of a
severe headache, and I can now walk from
two to four miles without tiring, and
eat of bread, something I have not been
able to do for many years.
S. E. WATSON,
Easton, Mass.,
July 13, 1899.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.

Employee of J. W. Mellor Receives In-
juries to Face Through Stove
Explosion.

Harry Fox, a painter in the employ of
J. W. Mellor, is at the Jubilee hospital
suffering from injuries to his face, sus-
tained this morning. It appears that
shortly before ten o'clock he attempted
to light a fire in a stove at Mellor's
warehouse, on Mason street, and had
just touched the match to the debris when
an explosion resulted, blowing the lid
from the stove directly in the unfor-
tunate man's face. He was removed to
the house opposite, and Dr. Lewellyn
Jones was summoned, who immediately
dressed the sufferer taken to the Jubilee
hospital. Mr. Fox's injuries are very
painful, and at present he is too dazed
to explain intelligently exactly how the
accident occurred. His hearing has
gone and his face is considerably bruised.
From what can be learned, how-
ever, there must have been a quantity
of rags saturated with kerosene or some
other chemical in the stove, which,
when brought in contact with the flame,
caused the explosion. He is resting as
well as can be expected under the cir-
cumstances.

SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG
THE WATERFRONT.

VICTORIA TIDES.

By F. Napier, Dunleath.

The zero of the accompanying scale corre-
sponds to the average lowest yearly
tide, and 15.6 feet above the sill of the
Esquimalt dry dock.

Wednesday, Nov. 28.

Thursday, Nov. 29.

Time. Height above zero.

0.30 a.m. 2.0 feet. 1.30 a.m. 4.0 feet.

9.30 a.m. 8.3 feet. 8.40 a.m. 8.1 feet.

2.10 p.m. 8.5 feet. 2.10 p.m. 8.6 feet.

5.00 p.m. 7.6 feet. 8.30 p.m. 7.4 feet.

It is probable that another steamer
will shortly be engaged for Dominion
service, owing to the D. G. S. Quadra
having of late been employed in special
work and likely to be so used for a
number of weeks. Capt. Audin, agent
of marine and fisheries, was wired to
Ottawa for instructions in the matter,
and has held the mate of the Quadra,
Capt. Owens, in expectation of receiving
orders to proceed at once with light-house
duty, which during the Quadra's absence
has got somewhat behind.

Park Carleton was towed into Es-
quimalt last evening 17 days from
Kahului. The vessel's trip was an un-
usually speedy one, but was marked by
no incident of special interest. She
passed a ship bound in off the Cape,
and eleven vessels in shelter at (Clifton
Pay). After being cleaned and painted
she will proceed to Tacoma to load coal
for Honolulu.

A meeting of the Victoria Seafarers' As-
sociation was held this morning to con-
sider what vessels should be sent across
to the Japanese and Copper island coasts
this winter. The question was debated
at length, but no decision was arrived
at or is likely to be reached for the next
few days.

The Active brought the bark Carrol-
ton into Esquimalt last evening af-
ter taking the Elizabeth Nicholson to sea,
lumber laden from the Royal City Plan-
ing Mills for Shanghai.

Work on the new Pacific Coast Steam-
ship company's steamer, which is in-
tended for the Alaskan trade, has been
commenced at San Francisco.

Steamer Cuttyhogue sailed for Alaska
on poles this morning, after taking
aboard a small amount of freight at the
water wharf.

A large force of mechanics is engaged
now on the water, the new C. P. N.
steamer being hurriedly made ready for
service.

Bark Eaton Hall arrived at Port
Townsend today under charter to
transport at Tacoma for the United King-
dom.

Steamer Queen City is now due from
her regular monthly trip to the northern
end of the Island on the West Coast.

Steamer Tees is due from Northern
British Columbia ports on Saturday.

Steamer Danube leaves for Skagway
to-morrow evening.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Utopia from the Sound—
D. Leffingwell, C. Christopher, P. H. Tur-
in, G. L. Fling, A. Sloan, F. Bertheau,
Capt. Gilmore, F. M. Stanley, G. Murry
and wife, Miss Roger, Mrs. Gonell, D.
Carmody, J. H. Haggerty, T. H. Coxing,
M. Cross, H. White, D. H. White, F. Tur-
ner, T. B. Fields, N. J. Ponnell, J. Wren, A.
B. Wren, M. P. Tomlin, R. Taylor, J. Wil-
son, O. Olson, E. Johnson, M. Harris, E.
Warren, P. Watson, J. Kay, J. Williams
and wife, M. L. Wade, B. Goss, A. J. Av-
ery, P. J. Henderson, A. Barr, B. Barr,
M. L. Juppell, R. Jesse, E. Gilligan.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Utopia from the Sound—
P. McQuade, H. B. Co. Edl & Co. Es-
quimalt, W. & Co. Hinton Elec. Co. R.
Hutcheon, Prov. Cigar Co. C. A. Hayes,
Stanley, Craig, Pac. Cigar Co., J.
M. Mellor, A. & W. Wilson, J.
Goudreau, W. A. Jameson, Speed Bros.,
C. H. Gowen, Hemans & Walmesley,
Ockell & Morris, Geo. Watson, Todd &
Son, J. Savannah, F. E. Thompson, W. J.
Anderson, T. N. Hibben & Co.

Are free from all crude and irritating
matter. Concentrated medicine only. Car-
ter's Little Liver Pills. Very small; after
easy to take; no pain; no griping; no pur-
ging. Try them.

DIED.
FLYNN.—On the 26th inst., at 104 Superior
Street, Alfred Flynn, son of the late
John Flynn, aged 41 years, a native of
Ireland, R. C.

The funeral will take place from the re-
sidence on Wednesday, the 28th inst., at
2 p. m., and from First Presbyterian
church at 2.30 p. m.

Friends will please accept this intima-
tion.

WILSON.—At New Westminster, on Nov.
18th, Arthur Wilson, aged 20 years.

Denounced By Minister

Rev. C. A. Eaton Condemns Poli-
ticians Who Are Raising
the Race Cry.

Deputy Speakership of House of
Commons—Accidentally Shot
His Brother.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Nov. 27.—Lecturing here
last night in the new Baptist church on
"The Rights of Common People,"
Rev. C. A. Eaton, D. D., the well known
Baptist divine of Toronto, denounced
politicians who are raising the race cry
in Canada. He said: "We are here and
have got to stay here, and to carry on
the work of the country. I strongly con-
demn those who inflame the prejudices
of two races, for a man is a man for all
that, no matter whatever coat he may
wear."

Edward Kleick, a German, was ar-
rested here to-day on information from
the German authorities at Berlin, on a
charge of forgery. The amount involved
is \$3,500.

Count de Lautree, extradited from
Chicago and convicted on a charge of
issuing forged papers on the Merchants'
Bank of Canada, was sentenced this
morning to five years in the penitentiary.
Ottawa, Nov. 27.—The names men-
tioned as likely nominees of the government
for the Deputy Speakership of the House
of Commons are those of T. B. Flint,
M. P. elect for Yarmouth, N. S., and
Dr. MacDonald, East Huron, Ont.

Should the Speakership of the senate go
to Senator Power, the Deputy Speaker-
ship of the Lower House is most likely
to go to Dr. MacDonald.

The Canadian government agent at
Trinidad, West Indies, says all hope of a
trade treaty between that country and
Canada has gone; that the feeling in its
favor has dropped.

The lumber cut in the immediate vicin-
ity for the present year will probably
exceed 400,000,000 feet. The selling
price has averaged \$15 per thousand
feet. The output of small mills up
Gatineau river and around Ottawa, with-
in a radius of 50 miles, will likely total
500,000,000, making a grand total of
900,000,000 feet.

Stouffville, Nov. 27.—While out shoot-
ing rabbits yesterday morning in Ray-
mer's bush near here, Henry McMullen
accidentally shot and killed his brother,
Sinclair McMullen. The top of the vic-
tim's head was completely torn off.

Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 27.—Twenty
thousand dollars damage was done to
the grist mills and hotel owned by Alex.
Gibson & Co. here yesterday. The out-
rigger was carried by one of the work-
men in the mills filling lamps with kero-
sene.

Toronto, Nov. 27.—While returning
home from a meeting of the Ministerial
Association in the Y. M. C. A. yester-
day, Hon. S. H. Blake slipped and fell
down two flights of stairs, severely sprain-
ing his wrist and sustaining internal in-
juries.

Rat Portage, Nov. 27.—Wm. Henry
Carpenter, sheriff of the district of Rainy
River, is dead, after a protracted ill-
ness.

If you had taken two of Carter's Little
Liver Pills before retiring you would not
have had that coated tongue or bad taste
in your mouth this morning. Keep a vial
with you for occasional use.

Weller Bros are sole agents for the
Ostermoller Elastic-Felt Mattress; a bill-
ow, downy mass of snowy white soft-
ness. See illustration in advertising col-
umns.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED.—To learn plumbing and
tinning business. Apply J. Market, cor.
Government and Pandora streets.

I. O. G. T. CONCERT to-morrow night.
Temple's hall; good programme; auspicious
Victoria West Lodge.

LOST.—On Sunday, double seat's tooth
watch chain. Finder please leave it at
this office.

WANTED.—Experienced solicitor, well ac-
quainted and desirous to approach the busi-
ness men of the city; all or part time.
Apply at Dunsmuir hotel, from 5 to 7
p. m., till Friday, W. J. Groves, provin-
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